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Subject:

Utilities, Inc.

Today's Charlotte Observer 12/14/2013:

"One of North Carolina's largest dairy farms has agreed to pay an \$80,000 fine for letting thousands of gallons of cow manure spill into the French Broad River."

Utilities, Inc. has received NO PUNISHMENT for spilling 100,000's of thousands of gallons of raw sewage into Lake Wylie and the drinking water of the citizens of York County.

Actually, the diary fine was \$80,000 for spilling 11,000 gallons! and will serve four years probation and craft a compliance plan. It is also possible that there is an additional \$35,000 fine and sentencing of up to one year in prison.

WHY IS SOUTH CAROLINA SO SLOW IN RECOGNIZING UTILITY, INC.'S TOTAL DISREGARD FOR THE FEDERAL CLEAN WATER ACT?

WHY IS IT TAKING SO LONG TO PUNISH UTILITIES, INC.? The dairy farm episode in North Carolina happened between September and December 2012. The situation with Utilities, Inc. has been unresolved for years.

The Utility, Inc. CAP has no beginning or end dates.

Utilities, Inc. has been offering it's egregious service to 110 communities in South Carolina -- without punishment! In fact, when asked for lists of other communities in South Carolina who have disputes with Utilities, Inc. five subsidiaries including Tega Cay Water Service, Carolina Water Service, Southland Water Service, etc. under FOIA, we cannot receive this information from DHEC!

And Governor, we know you have visited communities less than five miles from our homes in Tega Cay. Please consider a visit to personally view our situation and hear the citizens of more than 1700 homes in Tega Cay affected by Utilities. Inc.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We, the citizens of York County, are counting on your action.

Joyce Clark